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SAUN TOON TOO In response to the Official Action dated March 7, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In The Specification

A version marked up to show changes made to the specification relative to the previous version of the specification is attached.

On page 41, please amend the following paragraph starting on line 13 and ending on line 22:

FIG. 9 is a scanning electron microscope (SEM) photomicrograph of a polished section (prepared as described in Comparative Example A) of fused Comparative Example E material. The photomicrograph shows a eutectic-derived microstructure comprising a plurality of colonies. The colonies are about 10-40 micrometers in size. Based on powder x-ray diffraction of a portion of Comparative Example E material, and examination of the polished sample using SEM in the backscattered mode, it is believed that the white portions in the photomicrograph were crystalline Y3Al5O12, and the dark portions a